

Our Readers' Views

SPY SWAP

It is wryly known by members of the sucker pool that the value of the box of candy the carnival weight-guesser "loses" to a customer when he misses his estimate by more than 10 pounds is about equal to the value of the fee he charged. The public is amused at this harmless skulduggery. Let's hope Uncle Sam is no more yokel than this in the two-for-one deal he made in swapping

master spy Abel for Prior and Powers. If we did it for humane reasons, well and good, but let's not think we won.

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I was so happy when I read that Francis Powers was being returned to his country and loved ones. I cannot forget, as his detractors apparently can, that he risked his life for his country every

time he undertook one of his missions. He has suffered enough, and no doubt is still suffering, for he knows that many of his countrymen are unsympathetic. I hope we can all understand what he is going through.

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